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In the action mailed February 22, 2002 (the second restriction requirement issued in this case), the Examiner requires that Applicants elect for prosecution a single disclosed species of the polypeptide of claim 28. Claim 28 has been canceled by the present amendment, thereby making the present species election requirement moot.

Applicants note that the previous restriction requirement was traversed with regard to the election between SEQ ID NO:1 and SEQ ID NO:3. In the present action, the Examiner acknowledges the election of Group I (SEQ ID NO:1) with traverse, but does not state that Applicants' arguments in traverse were not persuasive. Therefore, Applicants assume that claims 1-7 will be examined with regard to both SEQ ID NO:1 and SEQ ID NO:3.

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Respectfully submitted,

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